# Envision San José 2040 General Plan Update January 25, 2010 Task Force Meeting #32 City of San José

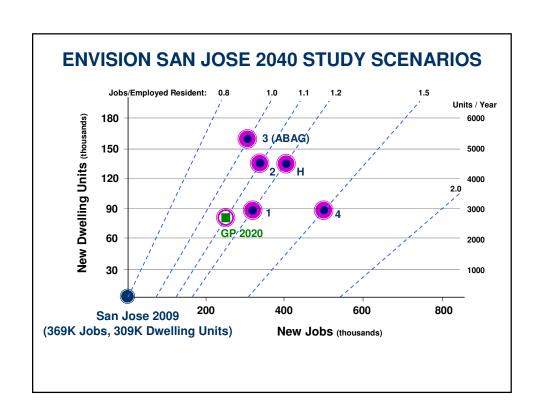
### Agenda Item #4

# **Housing Development**

- a) Overview Planning Issues
- b) Aligning with our Vision
- c) Proposed Goals, Policies, and Implementation Actions







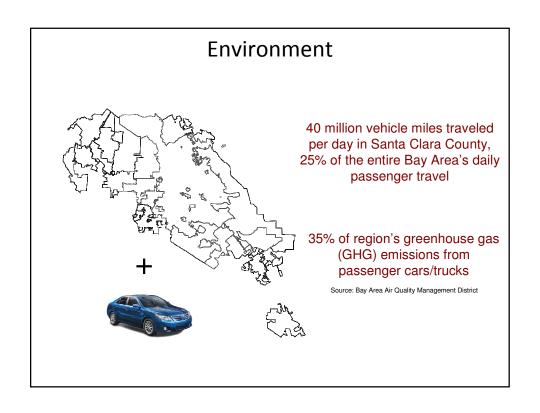
## THE FORCES SHAPING SAN JOSE

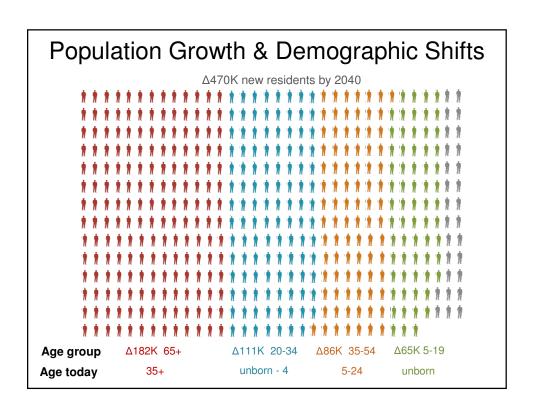
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# Existing Land Use Pattern







### RESPONDING TO THE FORCES OF CHANGE

The Role of Housing

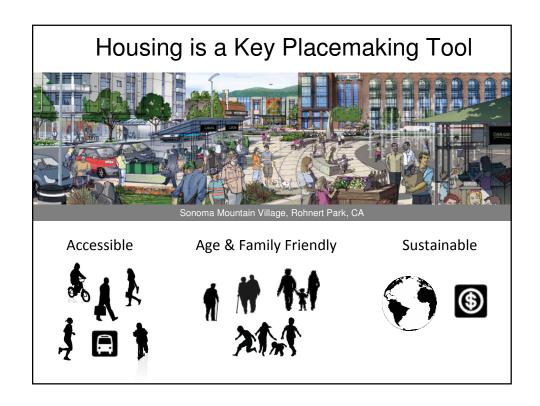
# Housing Location is Important

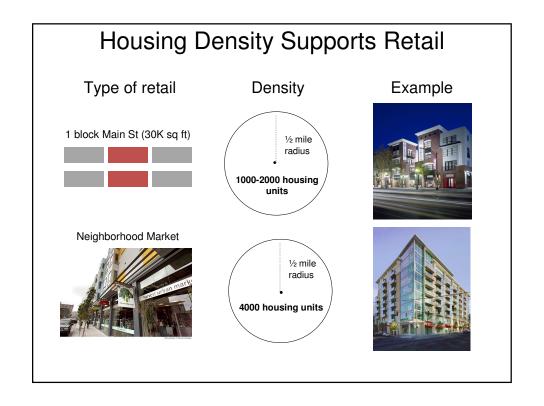


unwalkable, auto-dependent, separated land uses, inefficient, fiscally & environmentally unsustainable



human-scale, walkable, mixeduses, efficient land use,





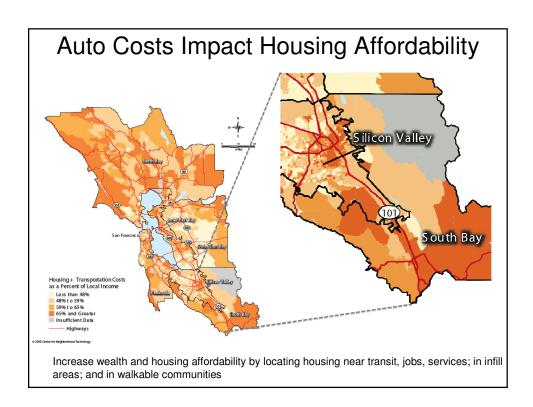
# Housing Density Supports Transit Ridership





### Success of Transit:

- TOD residents 5x more likely to ride transit
- More (residential and employment) development = more transit use
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- Development of complete TOD (including retail and services)
- High-quality, urban design with emphasis on walkability



# Housing Facilitates Creation of Equitable & Complete Communities

- Facilitate housing opportunities across incomes & special needs
- Create multi-generational communities that allow for aging in place
- Create complete communities that facilitate live, work, and play
- Link housing with services and amenities
- Update and align City dispersion policy with identified growth areas









### Alignment with City Goals

- Envision 2040 goals
  - Interconnected City (1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8)
  - Innovative Economy (10, 12, 16)
  - Environmental Leadership (17, 19, 21)
  - Healthy Neighborhoods (22)
  - Quality Services (24, 27)
  - Diversity & Social Equity (30)
- Green Vision
  - Adopt a measureable General Plan
  - GHG reduction
  - VMT reduction
- Economic Development
  - Housing supports job growth
  - Housing is where workers sleep at night
  - Dense, mixed-use supports great places and neighborhood retail, keeps spending power local

### Summary

- Housing developed in the right location at the right densities is key to planning for the structural changes that our City faces
- Residential development supports multiple City goals
  - Environmental: Reduction of VMT and greenhouse gases
  - Land use & Placemaking: Creation of walkable, bike-friendly villages, vibrant regional hubs, and complete communities
  - Demographics: Meeting the housing needs across incomes, preferences, and needs
  - Economic Development: Supports job growth across incomes
- Housing has both an economic value and a public purpose
  - Must continue to plan for both aspects

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# Agenda Item #5 Public Comment

